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THE VANISHING POINT

AN INSTANT APART!

A MOMENT BEYOND!

**LOOSED FROM THE SHACKLES OF PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE–
A PLACE WHERE TIME HAS NO MEANING!**

BUT WHERE TRUE INSIGHT CAN BE GAINED!

MAKE YOUR CHOICE! SELECT YOUR DESTINATION!

THIS JOURNEY IS A GIFT...

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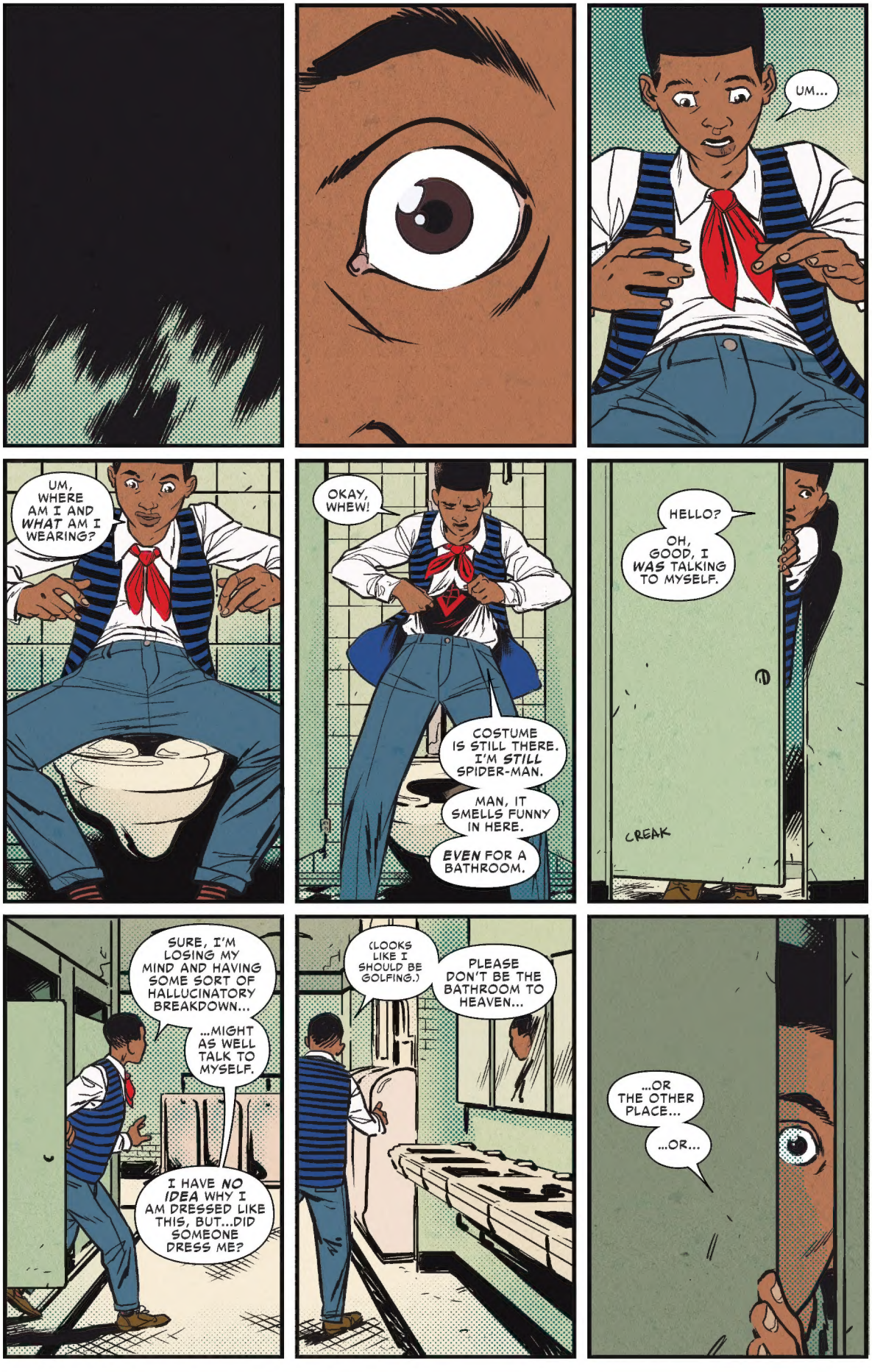

UM...
UM, WHERE AM I AND WHAT AM I WEARING?
OKAY, WHEW!
COSTUME IS STILL THERE. I'M STILL SPIDER-MAN.
MAN, IT SMELLS FUNNY IN HERE.
EVEN FOR A BATHROOM.
HELLO?
OH, GOOD, I WAS TALKING TO MYSELF.
CREAK
SURE, I'M LOSING MY MIND AND HAVING SOME SORT OF HALLUCINATORY BREAKDOWN...
...MIGHT AS WELL TALK TO MYSELF.
I HAVE NO IDEA WHY I AM DRESSED LIKE THIS, BUT...DID SOMEONE DRESS ME?
(LOOKS LIKE I SHOULD BE GOLFING.)
PLEASE DON'T BE THE BATHROOM TO HEAVEN...
...OR THE OTHER PLACE...
...OR...

MR. FANTASTIC
COLLEGE

M

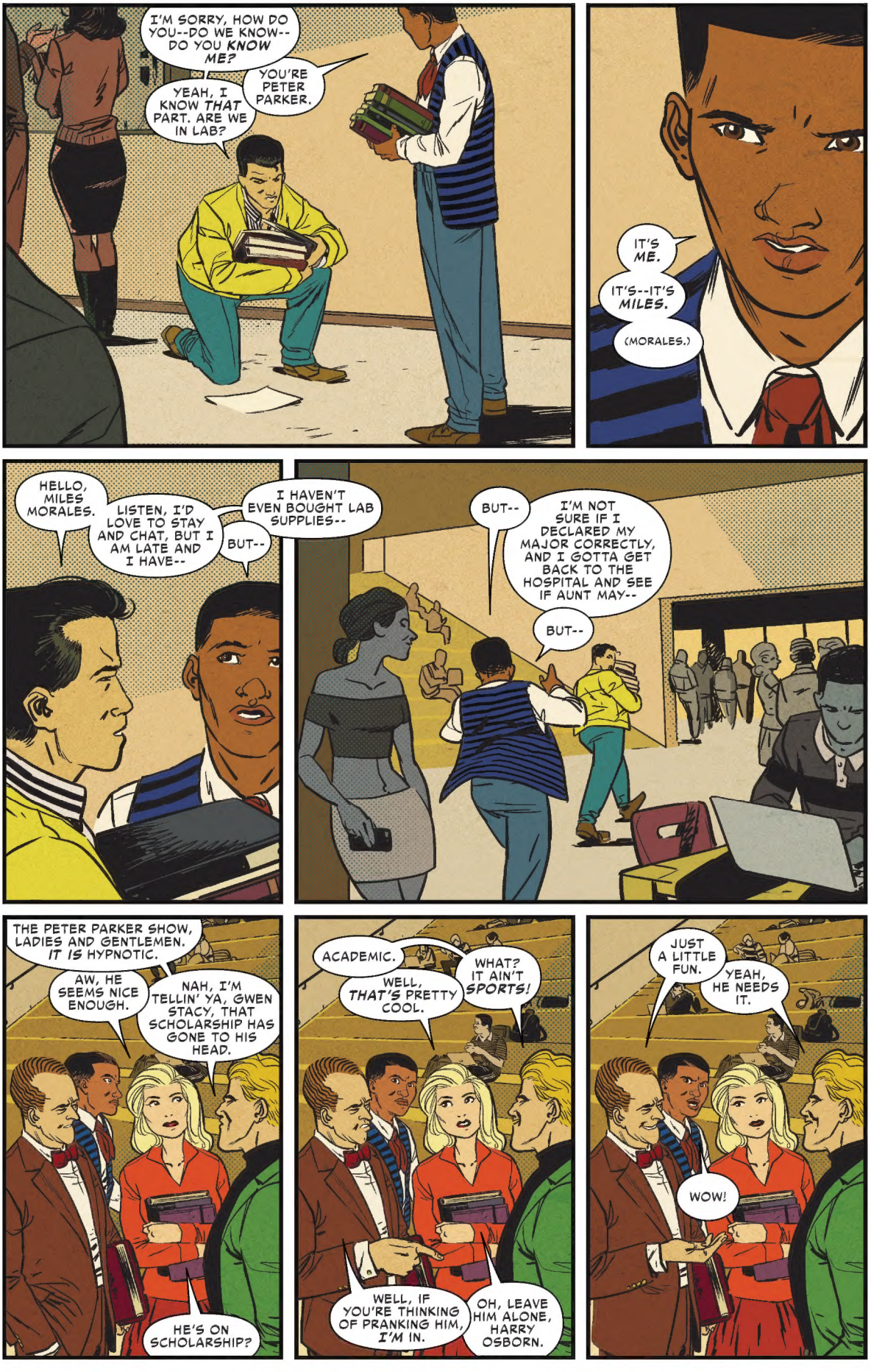
M
OKAY, SOMETHING'S DEFINITELY--

AGH!
SORRY!
CRASH

NO.
I'M SORRY.
PETER PARKER?!

WHEN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT PETER PARKER WAS BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER, HE GAINED THE PROPORTIONAL SPEED, STRENGTH, AND AGILITY OF A SPIDER; ADHESIVE FINGERTIPS AND TOES; AND THE UNIQUE PRECOGNITIVE AWARENESS OF DANGER CALLED "SPIDER-SENSE"! AFTER LEARNING THAT WITH GREAT POWER THERE MUST ALSO COME GREAT RESPONSIBILTY, HE BECAME THE CRIME-FIGHTING SUPER HERO CALLED...
the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN
IN ANOTHER DIMENSION VERY MUCH LIKE OURS, MONTHS BEFORE PETER PARKER WAS SHOT AND KILLED, GRADE SCHOOLER MILES MORALES WAS BITTEN BY A STOLEN, GENETICALLY ALTERED SPIDER THAT GRANTED HIM INCREDIBLE ARACHNID-LIKE POWERS. MILES CHOSE TO DEDICATE HIS LIFE TO THE LEGACY OF SPIDER-MAN. HE IS...
SPIDER-MAN
LATELY, MILES HAS BEEN STRUGGLING TO BALANCE THE DEMANDS OF HIS FAMILY, FRIENDS, SCHOOLWORK, AND BEING A SUPER HERO. HE'S COME SO FAR ON HIS OWN, HE'S STARTED TO QUESTION WHETHER HE SHOULD BE SPIDER-MAN ANYMORE...

PETER PARKER!
YEAH?
YOU'RE PETER PARKER.
YEAH...
YOU LOOK...
...YOU LOOK SO...
WHAT? LIKE A DORK?
NO.
LIKE A--A "FOUR-EYED NERD"?
NO!
WHAT DID THE GENIUS FLASH TELL YOU TO CALL ME?
WHO'S FLASH?
IT'S NOT FUNNY, FLASH.
WASN'T FUNNY IN HIGH SCHOOL AND IT'S NOT FUNNY NOW!
THAT WASN'T ME, POINDEXTER.
THAT WAS YOU TRIPPING AAAAALL BY YOURSELF.
AND IT WAS FUNNY IN HIGH SCHOOL AND IT IS FUNNY NOW!
WHO IS THAT?


I'M SORRY, HOW DO YOU--DO WE KNOW--DO YOU KNOW ME?
YOU'RE PETER PARKER.
YEAH, I KNOW THAT PART. ARE WE IN LAB?
IT'S ME.
IT'S--IT'S MILES.
(MORALES.)
HELLO, MILES MORALES.
LISTEN, I'D LOVE TO STAY AND CHAT, BUT I AM LATE AND I HAVE--
I HAVEN'T EVEN BOUGHT LAB SUPPLIES--
BUT--
BUT--
I'M NOT SURE IF I DECLARED MY MAJOR CORRECTLY, AND I GOTTA GET BACK TO THE HOSPITAL AND SEE IF AUNT MAY--
BUT--
THE PETER PARKER SHOW, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. IT IS HYPNOTIC.
AW, HE SEEMS NICE ENOUGH.
NAH, I'M TELLIN' YA, GWEN STACY, THAT SCHOLARSHIP HAS GONE TO HIS HEAD.
HE'S ON SCHOLARSHIP?
ACADEMIC.
WELL, THAT'S PRETTY COOL.
WHAT? IT AIN'T SPORTS!
WELL, IF YOU'RE THINKING OF PRANKING HIM, I'M IN.
OH, LEAVE HIM ALONE, HARRY OSBORN.
JUST A LITTLE FUN.
YEAH, HE NEEDS IT.
WOW!

YOU GUYS SUCK.
HE THINKS YOU'RE HIS FRIENDS. YOU SEE HE'S STRUGGLING...
EXCUSE ME?
...YOU SUCK.
SOMETHING YOU FEEL LIKE TAKING OUTSIDE?
MAN, I WOULD LOVE TO.
BUT I HAVE TO BE DOING SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT.
YEAH, WHAT?
LIKE, ANYTHING.
WOW.
BURN.
WHO WAS THAT?
OKAY, I REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT THIS IS BUT--UM, EXCUSE ME?
DOES ANYONE KNOW WHAT YEAR THIS--?
SLAM
ZIP
DOES ANYONE KNOW WHERE--?
AGH!
CRASH

COME ON!
HOW IS THIS HAPPENING?!
I HAVE--
CRIK
SPIDER-SENSE.
WHAT?
YOU WERE GOING TO SAY "SPIDER-SENSE."
I HAVE IT, TOO.
PAT PAT
YOU HAVE WHAT, TOO?
WHAT IS THIS?
WHO ARE YOU?
UM...
YOU KNOW WHAT? NEVER MIND.
FORGET I SAID ANYTHING.
SORRY.
HAVE A NICE DAY, MAN.
WHAT?
ZIP

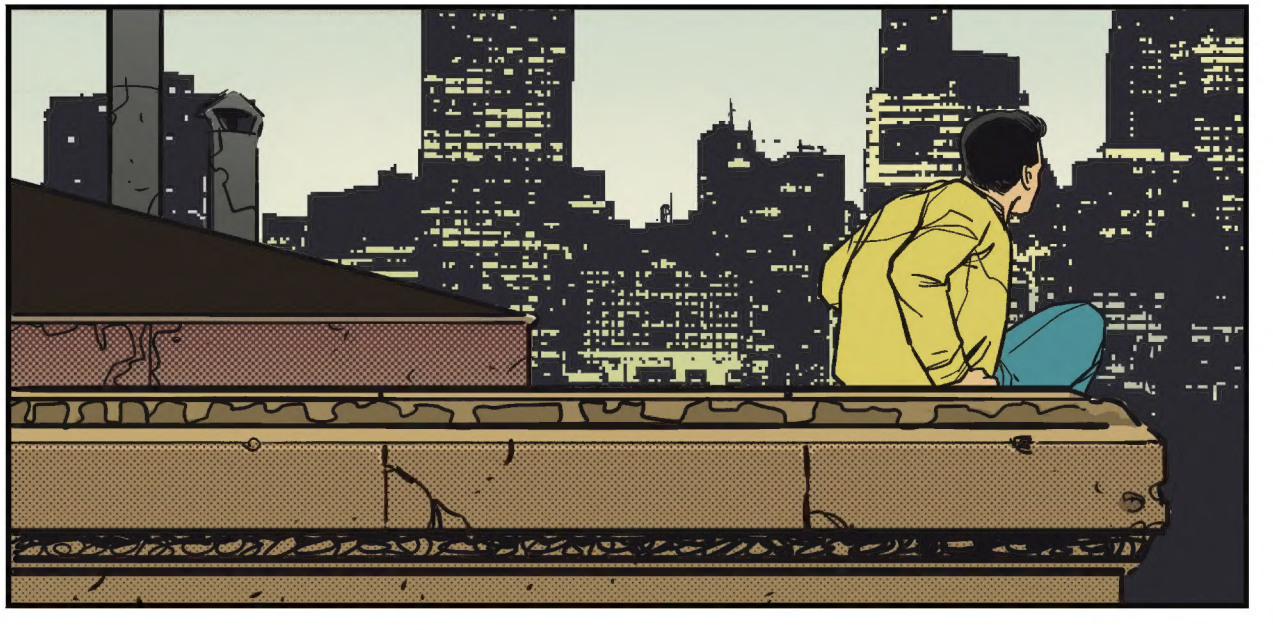
HEY!

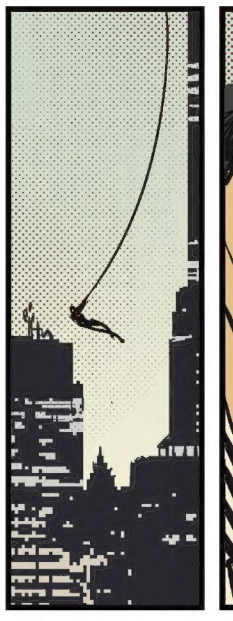
HEY!

HEY?

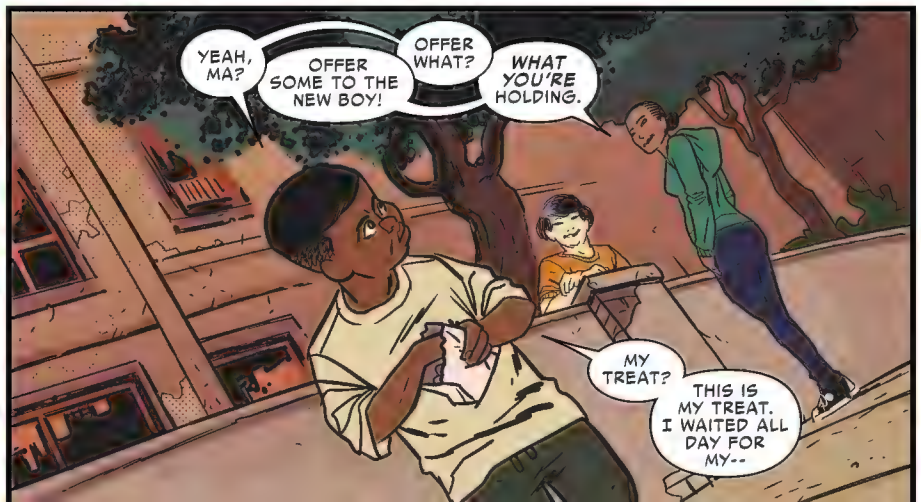
OKAY...
SO...
...YOUR TOTAL NERVOUS BREAKDOWN CAME EARLY THIS YEAR, MISTER PARKER.

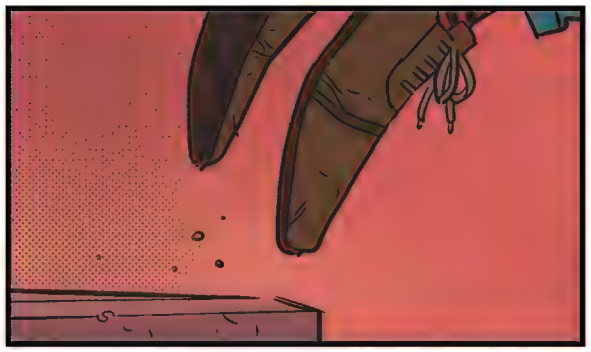
GLAD TO SEE THE STRESS OF COLLEGE, SUPER-HEROING, AND AUNT MAY ON HER DEATHBED ISN'T MAKING ME HALLUCINATE CRAZY STUFF.





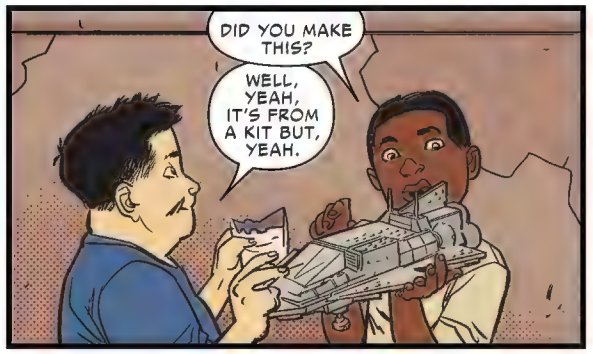
MILES MORALES!

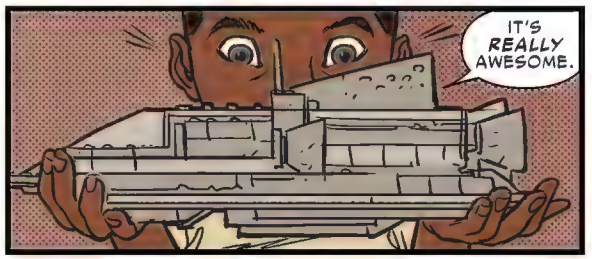

YEAH, MA?
OFFER SOME TO THE NEW BOY!
OFFER WHAT?
WHAT YOU'RE HOLDING.
MY TREAT?
THIS IS MY TREAT. I WAITED ALL DAY FOR MY--



HEY, YOU WANT?
WHAT IS IT?
JELLYBEANS.
OH, HELL YES, GIVE 'EM UP.
IMPRESSIVE LEGOS.
THANKS.
I MEAN IT.
I'M MILES.
GANKE.
(JELLYBEANS!)

OH MY GOD.
TOFF


DID YOU MAKE THIS?
WELL, YEAH, IT'S FROM A KIT BUT, YEAH.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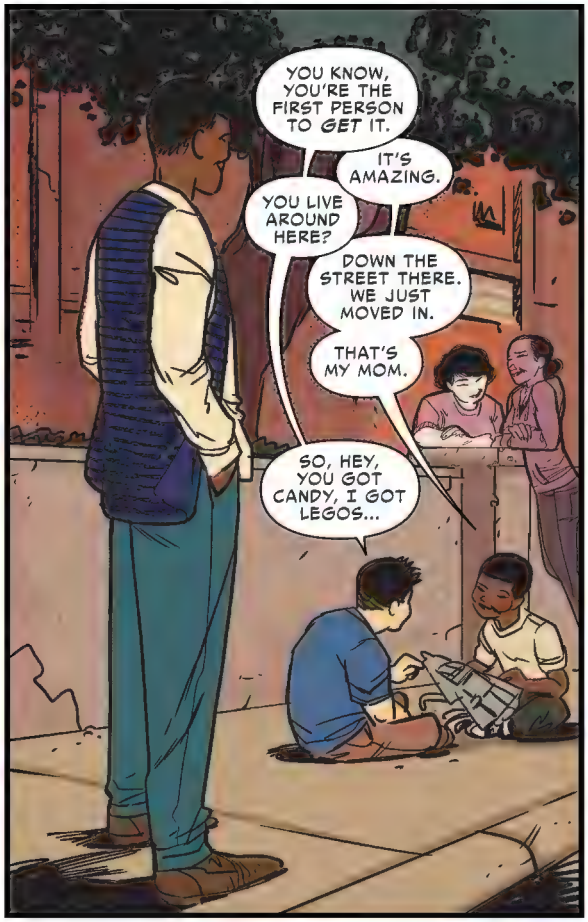

YOU KNOW, YOU'RE THE FIRST PERSON TO GET IT.
IT'S AMAZING.
YOU LIVE AROUND HERE?
DOWN THE STREET THERE. WE JUST MOVED IN.
THAT'S MY MOM.
SO, HEY, YOU GOT CANDY, I GOT LEGOS...

WANNA BE FRIENDS?
WE ALREADY ARE!
YOU'RE HILARIOUS!
I'M NOT JOKING!

SO CUTE.
I USUALLY DO NOT ALLOW SUGAR.
OH, OH, YEAH. ME EITHER.
I BRIBED HIM BECAUSE I HAD TO TAKE HIM TO WORK.

CAN I HELP YOU SON?

DO I KNOW YOU?

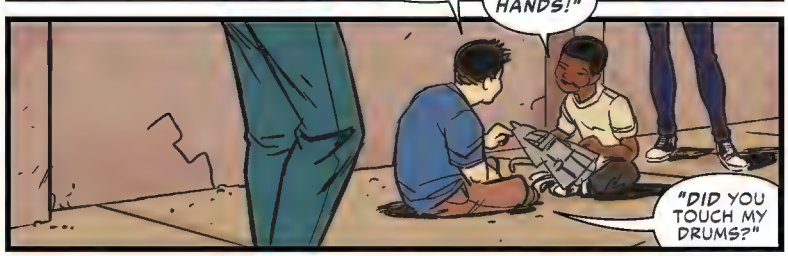
UH...
UM, NO, MA'AM.
I WAS JUST-- THEY'RE CUTE.
THESE TWO...

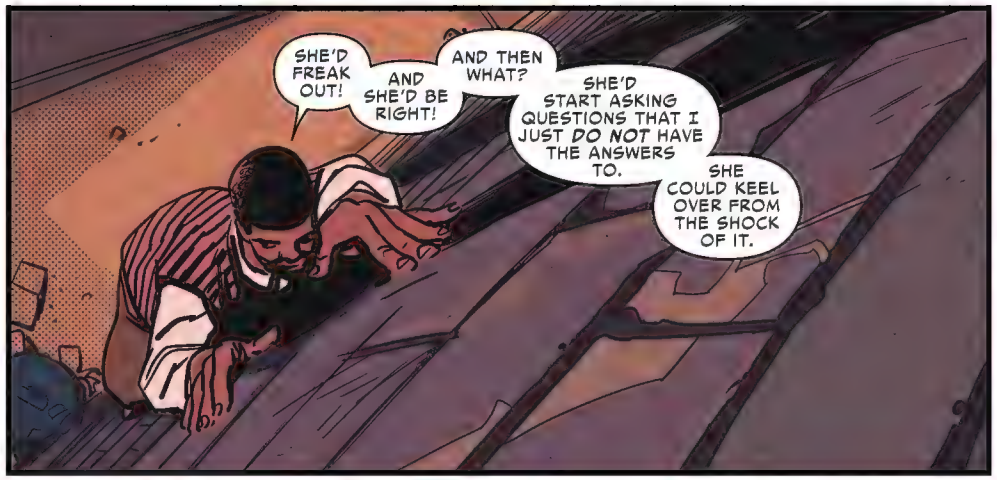
WELL, IF YOU HAVE SOMEWHERE TO BE, WHY DON'T YOU GET GOING THERE...

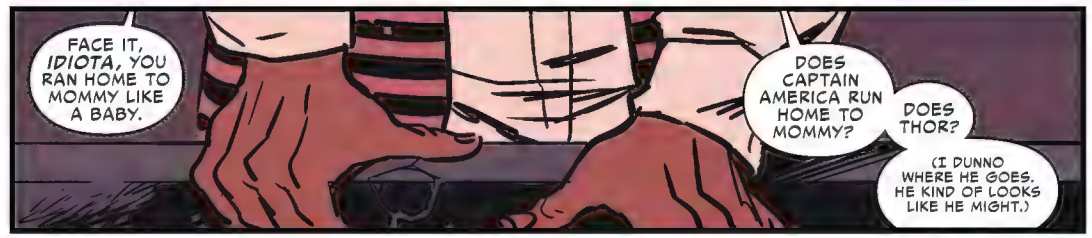
SOMEONE I NEED TO CALL?
LIKE THE POLICE?
I LOVE THAT MOVIE.
IT'S REALLY GOOD.

NO, MA'AM.

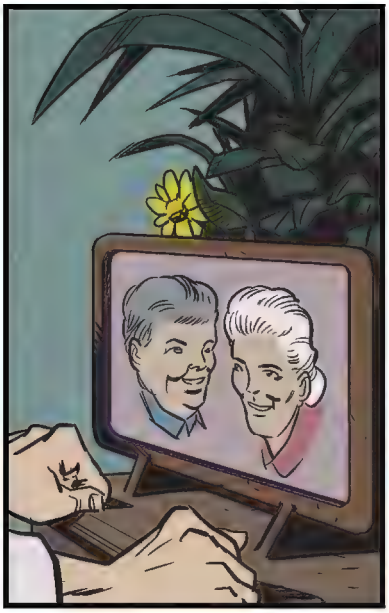
THEN SHOO ON HOME.
YES, MA'AM.

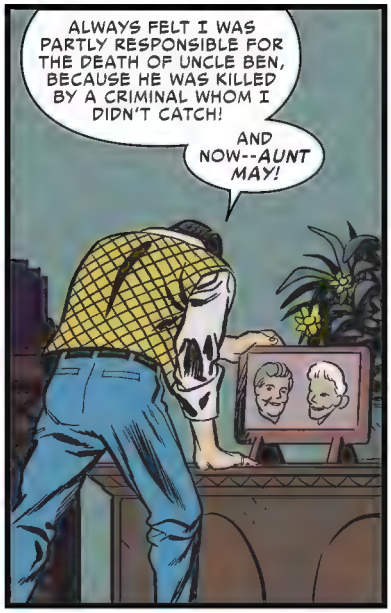

"WE'LL HAVE SO MUCH ROOM FOR ACTIVITIES!"
"HULK HANDS!"
"DID YOU TOUCH MY DRUMS?"





WHY AM I HERE?
CLEARLY NOT TO RUN TO MOMMY.
IF I COULD JUST HAVE A SIGN OR A CLUE OR A TEXT OR A--
A CLUE.
DID I JUST ASK FOR A CLUE?!
FOOL, YOU ALREADY GOT YOUR CLUE!
DAILY BUGLE



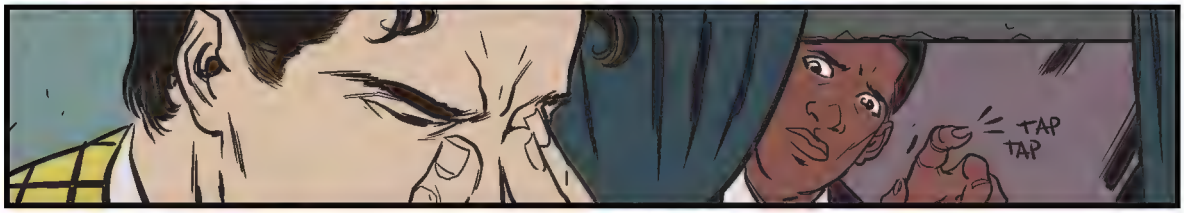

ALWAYS FELT I WAS PARTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH OF UNCLE BEN, BECAUSE HE WAS KILLED BY A CRIMINAL WHOM I DIDN'T CATCH!
AND NOW--*AUNT MAY!*

THE TWO PEOPLE I LOVE MOST IN THE WORLD--WHO WERE LIKE MY OWN FATHER AND MOTHER TO ME--!

YET THEIR LOVE FOR ME, THEIR KINDNESS TO ME--HAS BROUGHT *NOTHING BUT TRAGEDY!*

BUT IT CAN'T HAPPEN AGAIN!

NOT AUNT MAY...
SHE'S BEEN TOO GOOD...


TAP TAP

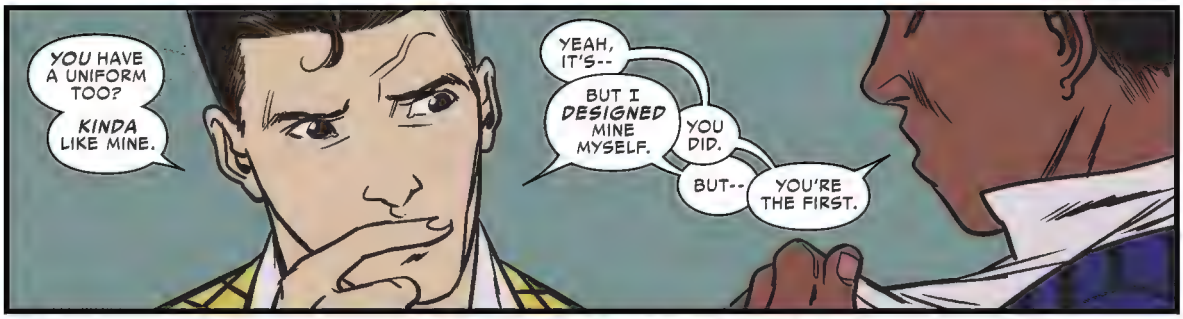
JEEZ!
SORRY.
SHOOONK

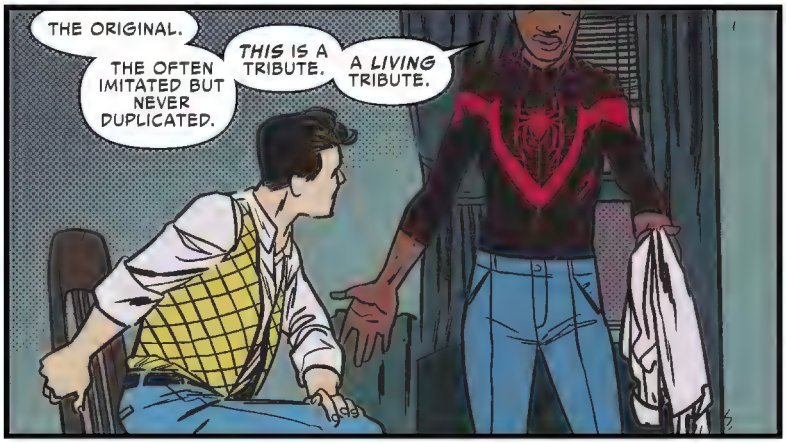
COME ON!
HI.
SORRY.
WHAT THE HELL?
I'M REALLY GLAD YOU'RE HOME.
I, UH, WAITED TILL YOU WERE DONE.
YOU SAW THAT?!

I WASN'T TRYING TO--I JUST--WHOA!
WE KNOW EACH OTHER.
I'M MILES MORALES.
YOU KNOW WHERE I LIVE?
OKAY, NOW! SPILL IT!!!
WHAT IS THIS?!
AND?!

I'M SPIDER-MAN...
...TOO.

AND THAT'S-- THAT'S YOUR COSTUME UNDER--?
YES.
ARE YOU FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY? OR--
LISTEN, I DON'T KNOW HOW I'M HERE OR WHERE--
THERE'S OTHER SPIDER-MEN?
WELL, YEAH. BUT NOT--

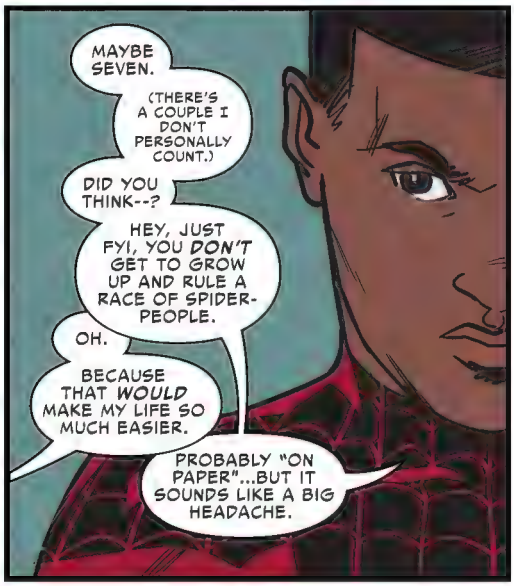

YOU HAVE A UNIFORM TOO?
KINDA LIKE MINE.
YEAH, IT'S--
BUT I DESIGNED MINE MYSELF.
YOU DID.
BUT--
YOU'RE THE FIRST.

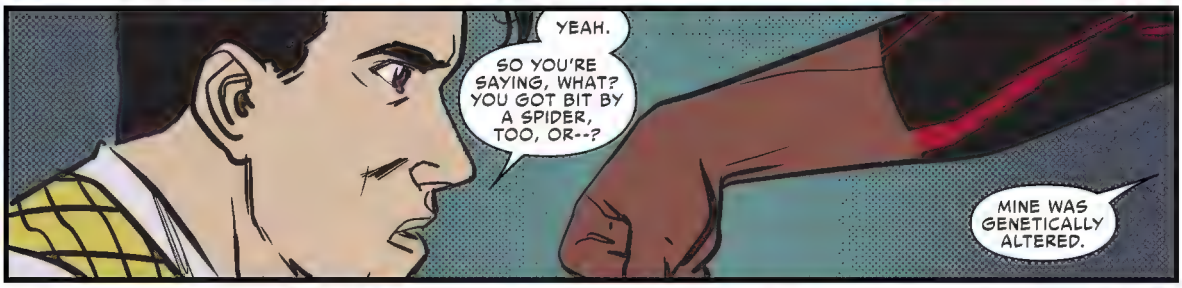

THE ORIGINAL.
THE OFTEN IMITATED BUT NEVER DUPLICATED.
THIS IS A TRIBUTE.
A LIVING TRIBUTE.

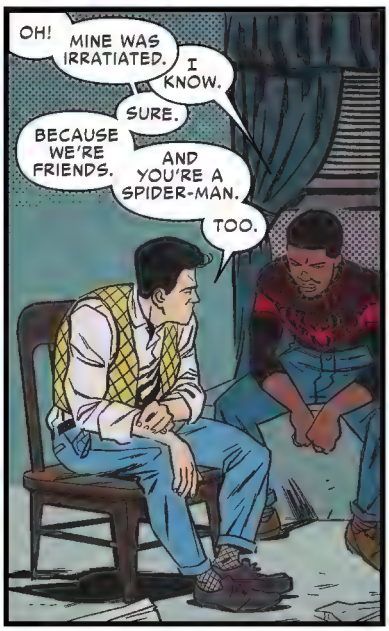
THERE'S SPIDER-PEOPLE IN THE FUTURE?

WELL...
THERE'S ONLY, LIKE, SIX.

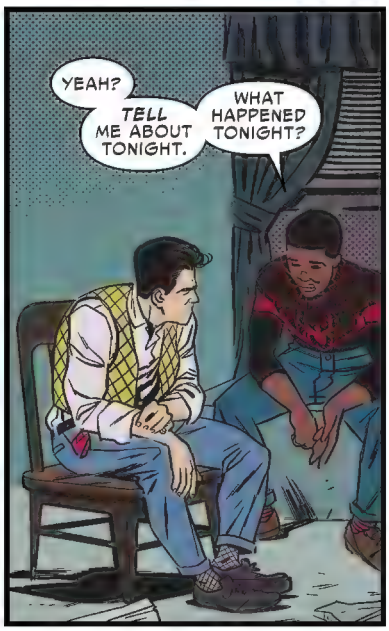
OH.

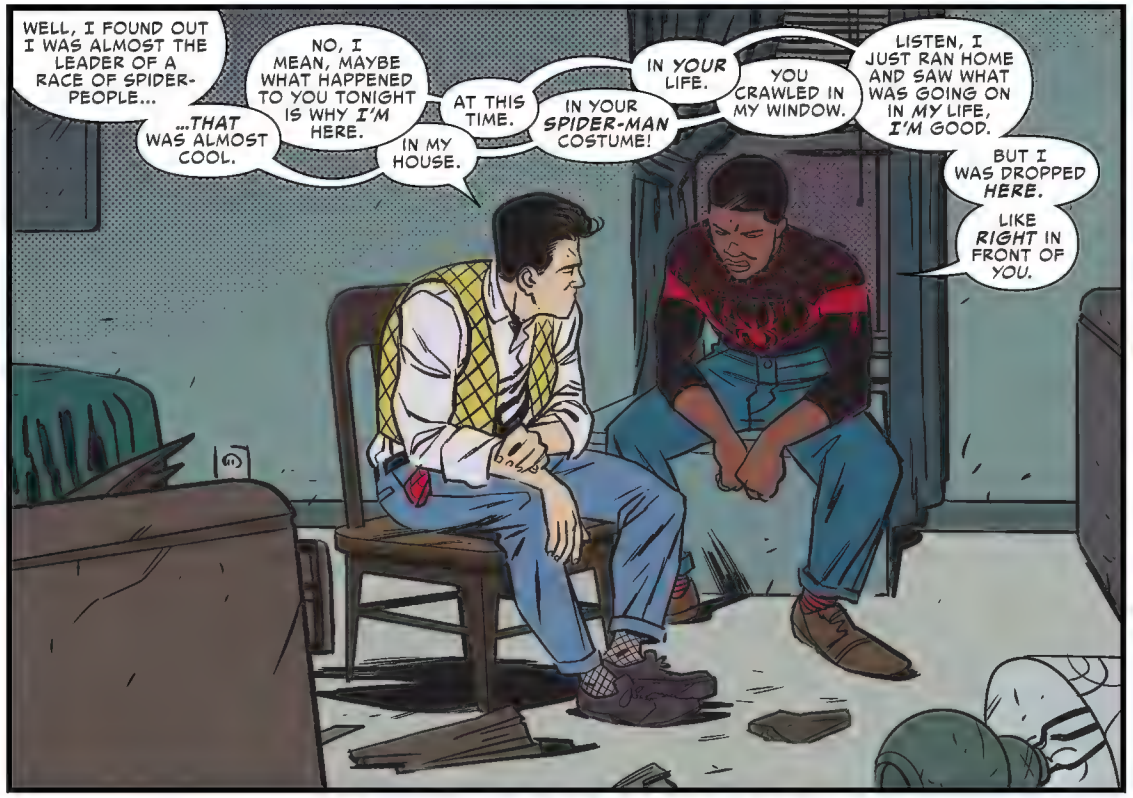

MAYBE SEVEN.
(THERE'S A COUPLE I DON'T PERSONALLY COUNT.)
DID YOU THINK--?
HEY, JUST FYI, YOU DON'T GET TO GROW UP AND RULE A RACE OF SPIDER-PEOPLE.
OH.
BECAUSE THAT WOULD MAKE MY LIFE SO MUCH EASIER.
PROBABLY "ON PAPER"...BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE A BIG HEADACHE.


YEAH.
SO YOU'RE SAYING, WHAT? YOU GOT BIT BY A SPIDER, TOO, OR--?
MINE WAS GENETICALLY ALTERED.


OH!
MINE WAS IRRATIATED.
I KNOW.
SURE.
BECAUSE WE'RE FRIENDS.
AND YOU'RE A SPIDER-MAN.
TOO.

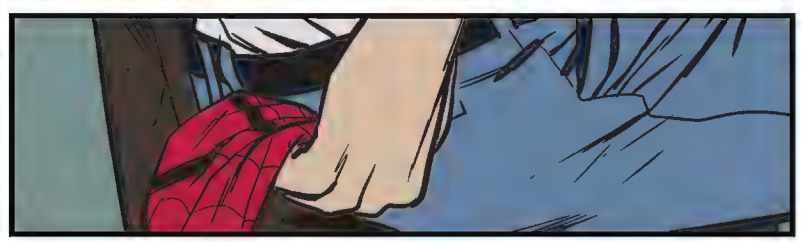
WOW.
AND I THOUGHT THIS WAS ALREADY A WEIRD NIGHT.


YEAH?
TELL ME ABOUT TONIGHT.
WHAT HAPPENED TONIGHT?

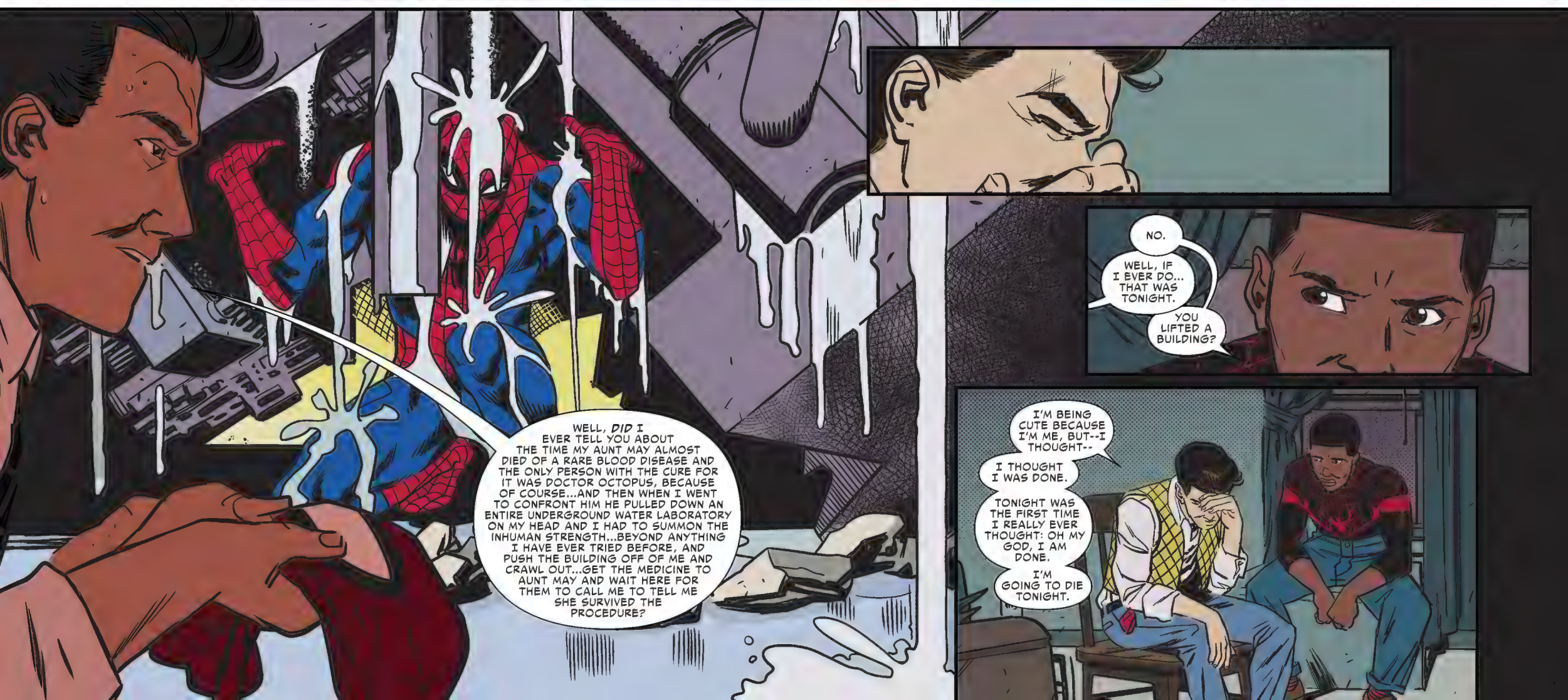

WELL, I FOUND OUT I WAS ALMOST THE LEADER OF A RACE OF SPIDER-PEOPLE...
...THAT WAS ALMOST COOL.
NO, I MEAN, MAYBE WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU TONIGHT IS WHY I'M HERE.
IN MY HOUSE.
AT THIS TIME.
IN YOUR SPIDER-MAN COSTUME!
IN YOUR LIFE.
YOU CRAWLED IN MY WINDOW.
LISTEN, I JUST RAN HOME AND SAW WHAT WAS GOING ON IN MY LIFE, I'M GOOD.
BUT I WAS DROPPED HERE.
LIKE RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU.

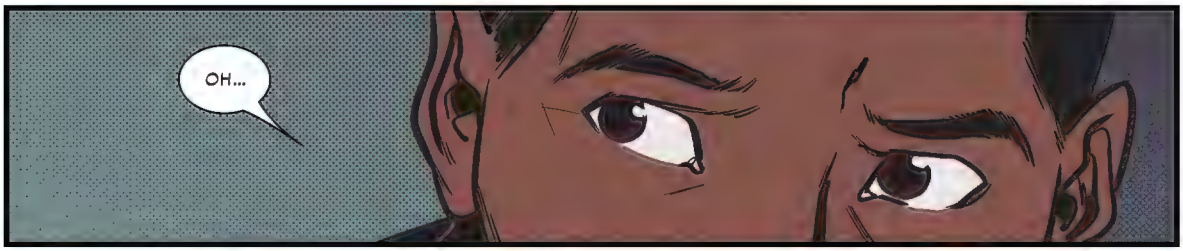
I WAS CLEARLY SENT HERE TO SEE YOU.
DOES THAT SOUND NUTS? BECAUSE IT SOUNDS NUTS.
NO?
NO.

AFTER THE NIGHT I'VE HAD...
WHAT HAPPENED TONIGHT?
MY SPIDER-SENSE DOESN'T GO OFF AROUND YOU.
BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT IN DANGER.
YOU HAVE SPIDER-SENSE, TOO?
WHAT HAPPENED TONIGHT?



IF WE'RE PALS, I NEVER TOLD YOU ABOUT TONIGHT?
IT SOUNDS LIKE SOMETHING I WOULD TELL PEOPLE ABOUT.
I DON'T KNOW...


WELL, DID I EVER TELL YOU ABOUT THE TIME MY AUNT MAY ALMOST DIED OF A RARE BLOOD DISEASE AND THE ONLY PERSON WITH THE CURE FOR IT WAS DOCTOR OCTOPUS, BECAUSE OF COURSE...AND THEN WHEN I WENT TO CONFRONT HIM HE PULLED DOWN AN ENTIRE UNDERGROUND WATER LABORATORY ON MY HEAD AND I HAD TO SUMMON THE INHUMAN STRENGTH...BEYOND ANYTHING I HAVE EVER TRIED BEFORE, AND PUSH THE BUILDING OFF OF ME AND CRAWL OUT...GET THE MEDICINE TO AUNT MAY AND WAIT HERE FOR THEM TO CALL ME TO TELL ME SHE SURVIVED THE PROCEDURE?
NO.
WELL, IF I EVER DO... THAT WAS TONIGHT.
YOU LIFTED A BUILDING?
I'M BEING CUTE BECAUSE I'M ME, BUT--I THOUGHT--
I THOUGHT I WAS DONE.
TONIGHT WAS THE FIRST TIME I REALLY EVER THOUGHT: OH MY GOD, I AM DONE.
I'M GOING TO DIE TONIGHT.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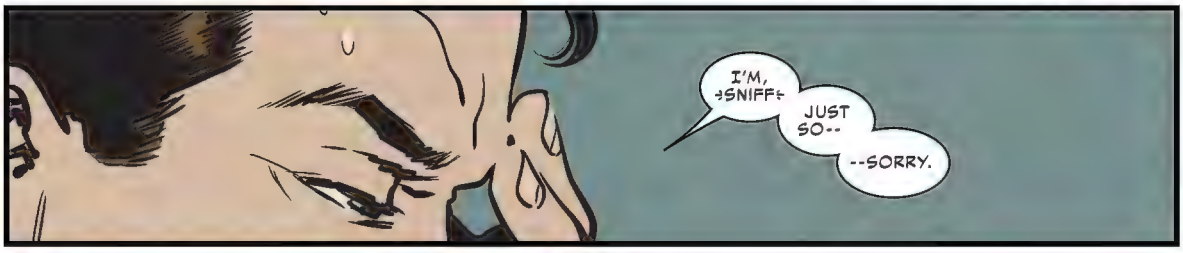
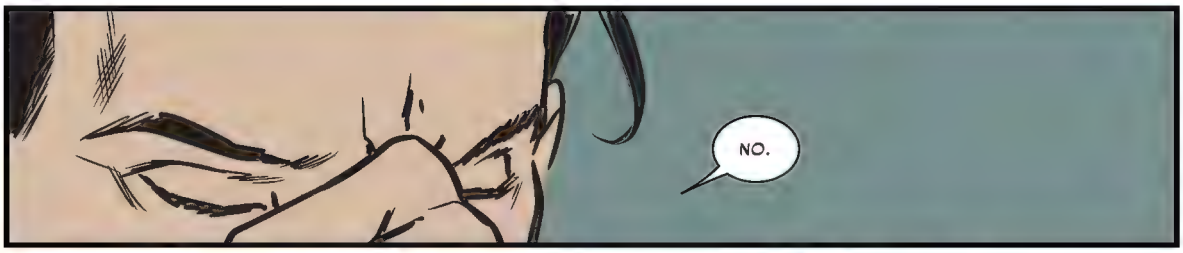

I'M, +SNIFF+
JUST SO--
--SORRY.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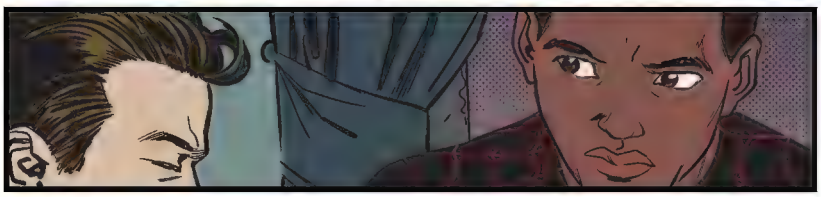
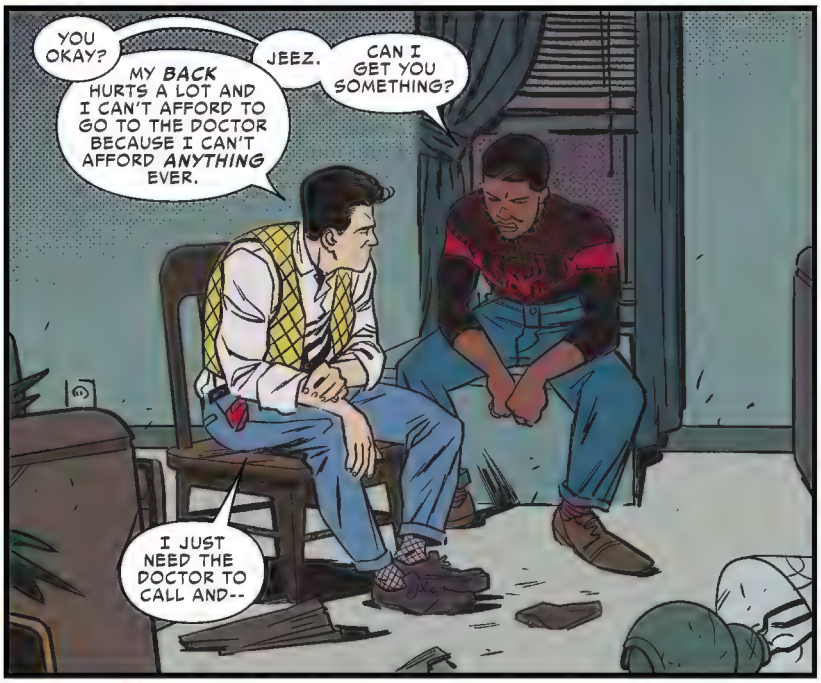
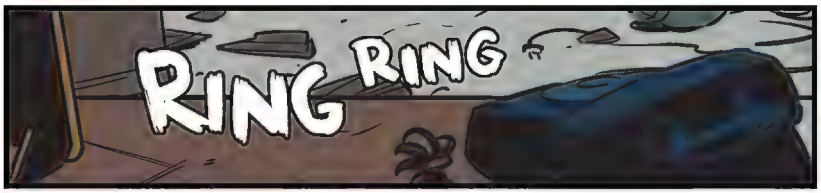



YOU OKAY?
MY BACK HURTS A LOT AND I CAN'T AFFORD TO GO TO THE DOCTOR BECAUSE I CAN'T AFFORD ANYTHING EVER.
JEEZ.
CAN I GET YOU SOMETHING?
I JUST NEED THE DOCTOR TO CALL AND--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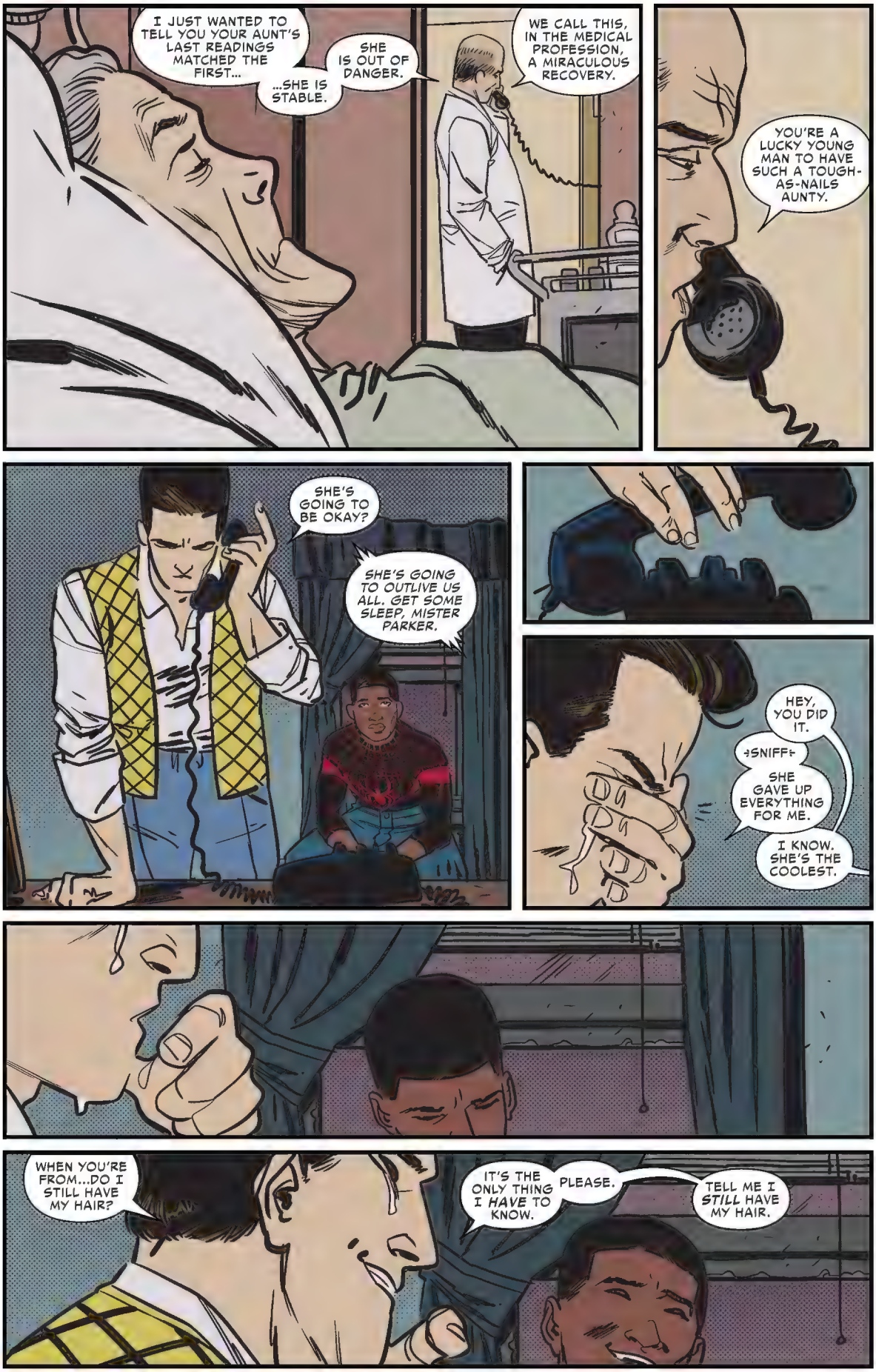
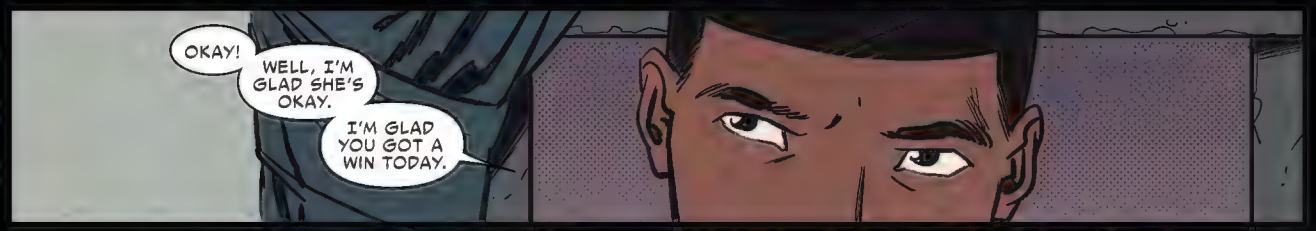
HELLO?
MISTER PARKER?
YES?
IT'S ABOUT YOUR AUNT...MAY PARKER--
YES?
THAT'S A PHONE?


I JUST WANTED TO TELL YOU YOUR AUNT'S LAST READINGS MATCHED THE FIRST...
...SHE IS STABLE.
SHE IS OUT OF DANGER.
WE CALL THIS, IN THE MEDICAL PROFESSION, A MIRACULOUS RECOVERY.
YOU'RE A LUCKY YOUNG MAN TO HAVE SUCH A TOUGH-AS-NAILS AUNTY.
SHE'S GOING TO BE OKAY?
SHE'S GOING TO OUTLIVE US ALL. GET SOME SLEEP, MISTER PARKER.
HEY, YOU DID IT.
+SNIFF+
SHE GAVE UP EVERYTHING FOR ME.
I KNOW. SHE'S THE COOLEST.
WHEN YOU'RE FROM...DO I STILL HAVE MY HAIR?
IT'S THE ONLY THING I HAVE TO KNOW.
PLEASE.
TELL ME I STILL HAVE MY HAIR.

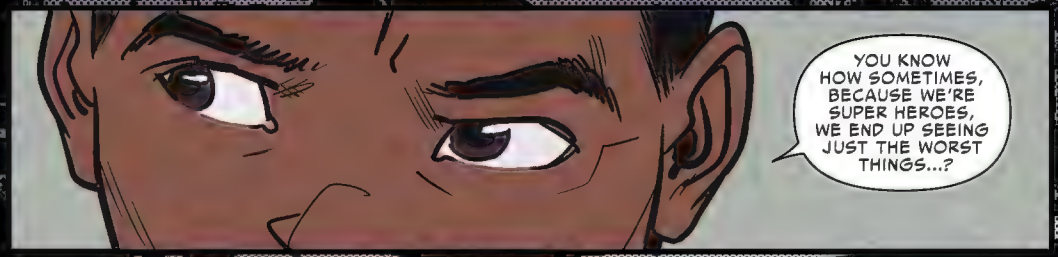
YES. YOU STILL HAVE YOUR HAIR.
AM I MARRIED?

WAIT! DON'T ANSWER THAT, MY IMAGINARY FRIEND.
WHA--YOU THINK I'M YOUR IMAGINARY FRIEND?

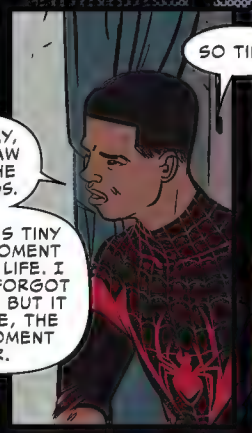
THE STRESS I'M UNDER...
I HAVEN'T SLEPT SINCE ARBOR DAY.
YOU'RE MY IMAGINARY PAL, MILES.
I'M COOL WITH IT. I JUST NEED SLEEP.


OKAY!
WELL, I'M GLAD SHE'S OKAY.
I'M GLAD YOU GOT A WIN TODAY.

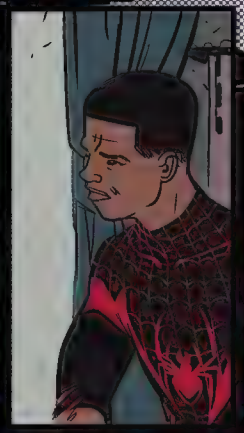
A WIN?
IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE I'VE SEEN ONE I FORGOT WHAT THEY LOOKED LIKE.
HEY, SO WHAT DID YOU SEE WHEN YOU WENT TO YOUR HOME?


YOU KNOW HOW SOMETIMES, BECAUSE WE'RE SUPER HEROES, WE END UP SEEING JUST THE WORST THINGS...?

OH, YEAH...
BUT TODAY, I JUST SAW ONE OF THE BEST THINGS.
THIS--THIS TINY LITTLE MOMENT FROM MY LIFE. I TOTALLY FORGOT ABOUT IT. BUT IT WAS, LIKE, THE BEST MOMENT EVER.


SO TINY.

ISN'T THAT IT THOUGH? WE SEE SUCH EXTREMES.
THINGS ARE EITHER GREAT OR DAAAYYUM.
YEAH...



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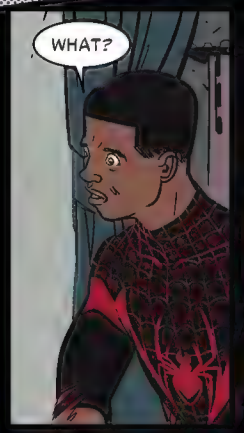
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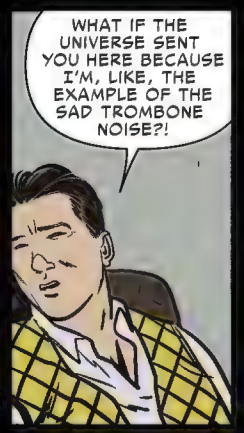
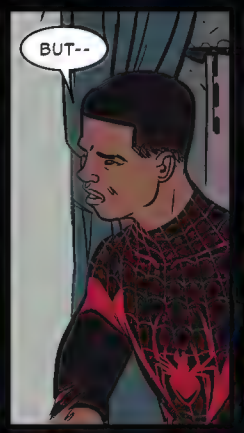
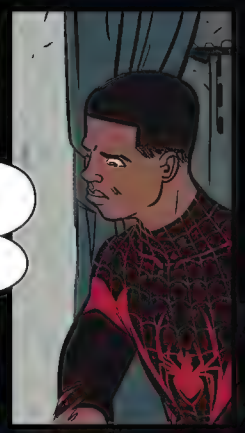
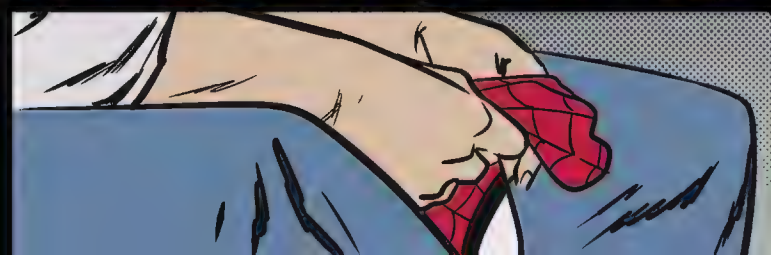

WHAT IF THE UNIVERSE SENT YOU HERE BECAUSE I'M, LIKE, THE EXAMPLE OF THE SAD TROMBONE NOISE?!


BUT--

DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN TO YOU-- WHAAA WHAAAAA...
HEY, IF YOU'RE HERE WHEN I GET UP...
...DON'T REMIND ME ABOUT...
...ANY OF...

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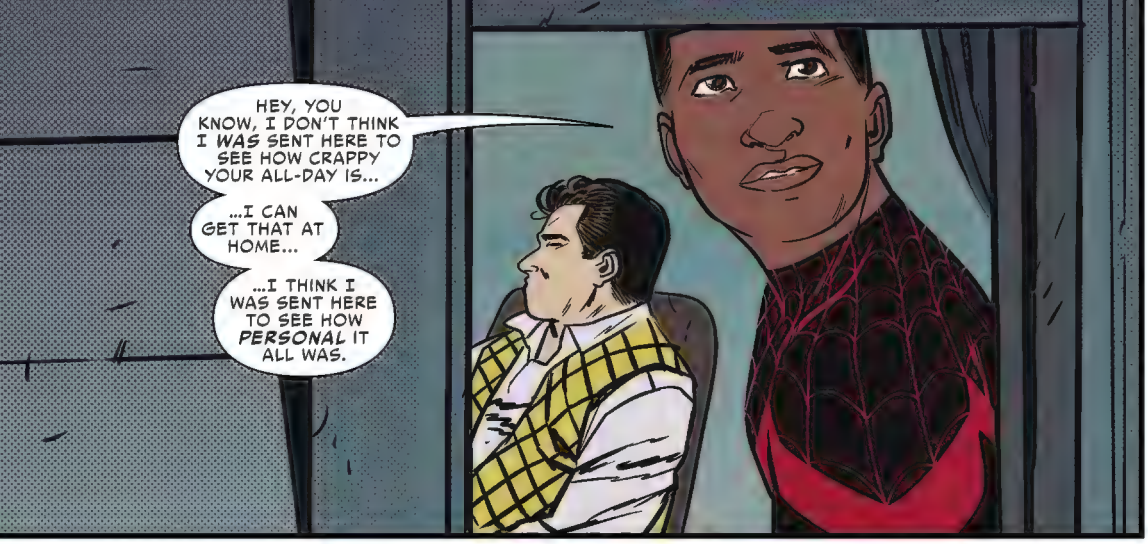
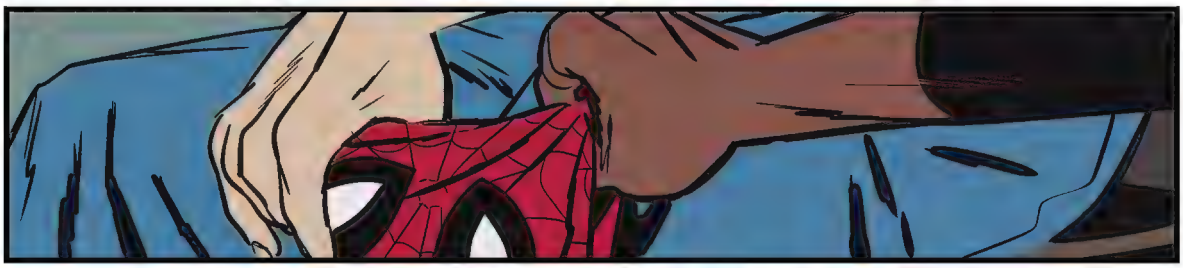
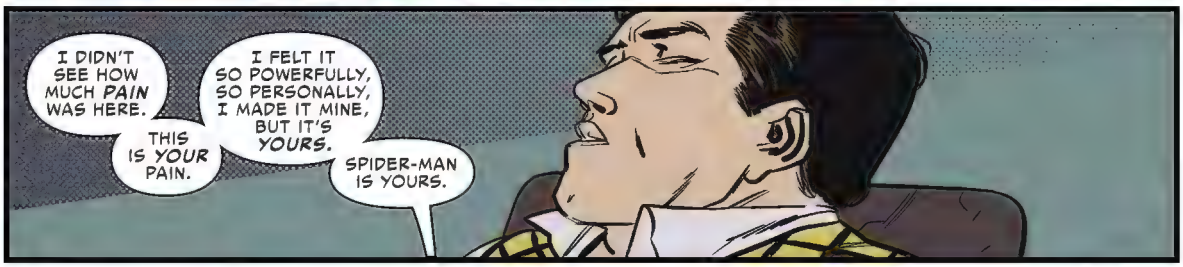
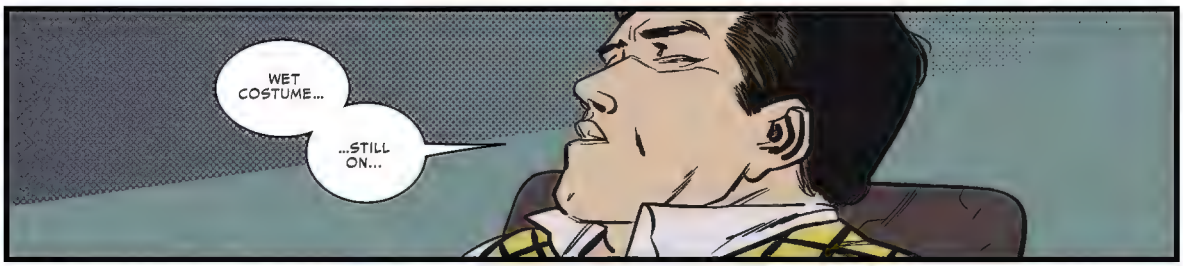
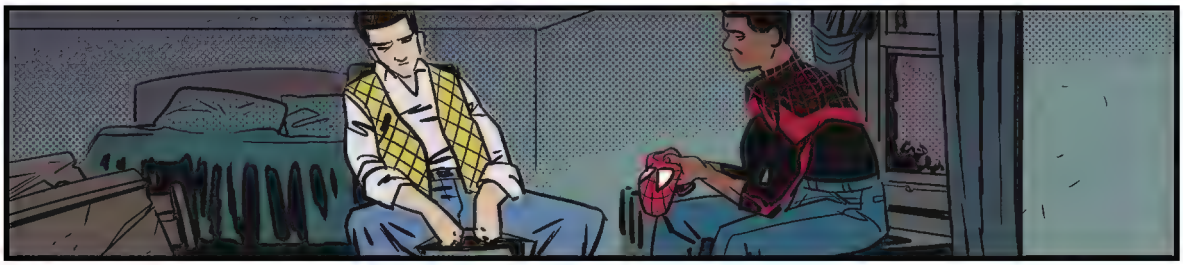

HEY, YOU KNOW, I DON'T THINK I *WAS* SENT HERE TO SEE HOW CRAPPY YOUR ALL-DAY IS...
...I CAN GET THAT AT HOME...
...I THINK I WAS SENT HERE TO SEE HOW *PERSONAL* IT ALL WAS.




I DIDN'T SEE HOW MUCH *PAIN* WAS HERE.
THIS IS *YOUR* PAIN.
I FELT IT SO POWERFULLY, SO PERSONALLY, I MADE IT MINE, BUT IT'S *YOURS.*
SPIDER-MAN IS YOURS.

YOU'RE AMAZING TO SHARE IT WITH ME...
...YOU'RE AMAZING TO LET ME PROVE MYSELF BY YOUR HIGH STANDARD...
...BUT EVEN *THAT* IS JUST ABOUT HOW AMAZING YOU ARE.
NOT HOW MUCH I DESERVE IT.
I GUESS I REALLY NEVER UNDERSTOOD HOW PERSONAL IT WAS.


WET COSTUME...
...STILL ON...



SQUEEZE

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NOT EVEN CLOSE TO THE END...

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